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Unemployed Lawyers

In regard to the article "Schooling. Cutbacks Urged to Prevent Doctor Surplus" [front page, Oct. 1], a look at the effects of the vast oversupply of lawyers should be instructive.

The American Bar Association has reported at least one-third more law school graduates than the number of new lawyers' jobs every year since 1972. The results have been that many graduates never enter their chosen profession, while most have a one- or two-year "waiting period" after finishing school until they find

legal work. Also, the problem shows every sign of getting worse, as the pool of unemployed lawyers grows.

While this is a tremendous waste of time and money, nothing has been done to curtail law school enrollments. Nothing could be further from the views of the ABA leadership than planning. Let's hope the medical profession and the state and federal governments have more wisdom with respect to doctors.

VICTOR SIMON

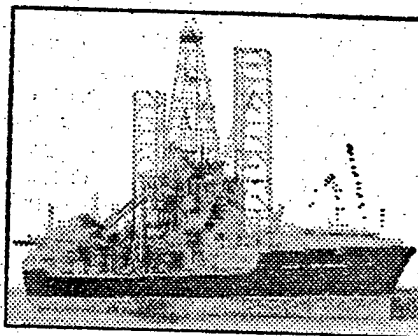
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No Agreement to 'Withhold Publication'

In the interests of accuracy, it should be pointed out that contrary to Maxine Cheshire's Oct. 19 column [Style], I never agreed with then CIA director William Colby to withhold publication of the Glomar Explorer story. In fact, I favored publishing it, as the Los Angeles Times itself reported in an article on March 20, 1975.

As the same article reports, the decision not to publish the story was made at Mr. Colby's request and in the interests of national security by our editor, Bill Thomas, just as similar decisions to withhold publication were made by top news executives of The Post, The Washington Star, The New York Times, the wire services, news magazines and the three television networks.

Most, if not all, reporters who covered the Glomar Explorer story thought it



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should have been published. But I recognized then—and I recognize now—that the decision was a policy matter to be determined by top news executives.

JACK NELSON,
Washington Bureau Chief,
Los Angeles Times.

Washington

Stealth, and Counter-Stealth

On Oct. 15, The Post carried a front-page story that "experts contend claims for Stealth are exaggerated."

The Defense Science Board, of which I am chairman, formed a panel almost a year ago to conduct a comprehensive technical review of the program. All of the panel members were experts in their field. The panel as a whole, as have all other experts actually briefed on the program, expressed surprise at the level of technical accomplishment. It found, as do most good review panels, some problem areas and recommended some changes in details of the program. Its bottom line assessment, however, was the same assessment made in the public Department of Defense release—that it was now possible to build aircraft so difficult to detect that they could not be successfully engaged by any existing air defense system.

The panel also considered the countermeasures issue; additionally, I have spent 30 years of my professional career working on countermeasures programs. While it is inappropriate to discuss the technical aspects of this subject in a public forum, I note that the people who criticize the effectiveness of the Stealth program do not have much experience in the field. Nobody will deny that there will be counter-Stealth efforts, but those efforts will relate to Stealth in the same way as anti-ballistic missile systems (which are in principle possible) relate to ICBM: no effective ABM system has been deployed despite 25 years of massive effort.

EUGENE G. FUBINI,
Chairman,
Defense Science Board,
Office of the Secretary of Defense.

Washington

'Gay' as a Good Word

Congratulations!

I heartily applaud the headline in The Post, "Bauman Admits Homosexual Tendencies at Emotional Press Session" [A23, Oct. 9]. The Post used the proper word—"homosexual"—instead of practicing the very deplorable media use of the wrong word, "gay."

The Post would be doing a great favor to the many millions of people who want the use of the word "gay" back where it belongs. It was a beautiful word until newspapers, magazines and television ruined it by picking it up from its use by homosexuals.

MARJORIE P. WHITE

Washington

Not a Capital Idea

The Post recently reported that the Federal Communications Commission wants to move its offices to Rosslyn.

I believe that all central government agencies should stay in the central part of the nation's capital, making themselves readily available to those citizens who deal with them. Certainly an industry with the size and ramifications of the broadcast industry should have its regulating body located in a main part of this city.

Neither the FCC nor any other government agency should be allowed to move out of the area simply to satisfy the self-serving interests of a few bureaucrats. If all government agencies were allowed to follow suit and many did, this fragmentation would result in our no longer being the nation's capital.

ELIZABETH SWEARINGEN

Washington

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